Ali Zia

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SKILLS

Languages: Python, Java, JavaScript, C/C++, R, Matlab, HTML/CSS

Frameworks/Libraries: React, Node.js, Express, Junit, Pandas, NumPy, Scikit-learn, FastAPI

Tools: Git, Bash, Linux, MySQL, Firebase, PlantUML, VS code, IntelliJ, PyCharm, NetBeans, Jupyter Notebook, Excel

EDUCATION

McMaster University | Bachelor of Engineering – Software Engineering Co-Op

September 2021 – May 2025

- 3.8/4.0 Cumulative GPA
- Awards: Engineering Award of Excellence, Dean's Honour List
- Relevant Courses: Object-Oriented Programming, Software Development, Data Structures & Algorithms

PROJECTS

Premier League (Soccer) Win Predictor

- Processed and feature engineered hundreds of Premier League games data with Pandas
- Developed a classification model with SciKit-Learn to predict the winner of any future games
- Used training sets to train the model, achieving 80% predictive accuracy with optimized hyper-parameter tuning
- Deployed the model using FastAPI for a user-friendly experience

Recycling System

- Researched and designed the logic behind automated recycling systems to remove human error
- Programmed the logic with Python and used Quanser to run virtual simulations to ensure accurate functionality
- Executed the project by controlling a QBot with a Raspberry Pi, achieving 99% accuracy in sorting containers

Image Classifier

- Used Python and TensorFlow to develop a deep learning image classifier to identify vehicles with 98% accuracy
- Reduced false positives by 15% through advanced data augmentation techniques, improving model performance
- Accelerated training time by 30% using optimized hyperparameters, ensuring effective scalability

WORK EXPERIENCE

Event Coordinator

September 2017 – January 2023

Sheridan Community Services

Toronto, ON

- Orchestrated planning and execution of multiple large-scale events, achieving a 95% attendee satisfaction rate
- Successfully managed event logistics accommodating 100 attendees and ensuring a 98% on-time start rate
- Increased event attendance by 25% through effective promotion and marketing strategies

Repair Technician May 2022 – August 2022

Rama Centre

Mississauga, ON

- Managed 10+ repairs daily and achieved a 100% satisfaction rate in repair efficiency and on-time completion
- Effectively identified and resolved a wide range of technical issues, reducing rework time by 35%
- Proactively identified and resolved potential issues in repair execution, boosting repair success rates by 85%

EXTRA-CURRICULARS

RBC Future Launch Contestant - Innovation Challenge Winner

May 2023

• Worked in a team of 4 to develop and deliver a proposal for an RBC workshop, winning amongst 12 teams

Software Design Team Lead - DeltaHack 9

January 2023

• Led a team of 3 to develop a full-stack application with React and Firebase, allowing users to chat online